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Description of the most familiar fishing vessel types.

1. Soviet fishing vessels within one and the same type do not always have the same tonnage, especially the type SRT of the numbered series 100 in the Baltic as opposed to the SRT type in the Arctic Ocean. However, the differing types are estimated to approximate the following descriptions:

- a. B. RL and SRT type<sup>1</sup>

Length.....approximately 39.15 meters  
Width (at widest point)..... " 7.30 meters  
Average immersion..... " 2.7 meters  
Displacement at 2.7 meters immersion approximately 388 tons  
Motor power.....300--500 H.P.  
Speed (loaded)..... 9-10 knots  
Crew..... 26 men  
Coal supply good for approximately 22 days.  
Fresh-water supply good for approximately 30 days' use.  
Constructed in Germany (Soviet Zone).

- b. MRT type<sup>2</sup>

Length.....approximately 24 meters  
Motor power.....200-240 H.P.  
Constructed in Finland.

- c. RS type<sup>3</sup>

Length.....approximately 27-28 meters  
Displacement.....approximately 200 tons  
Constructed in Germany (Soviet Zone)

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d. RT type<sup>4</sup>

Length.....approximately 60 meters  
Dead weight.....600-700 tons  
Motor power.....800 H.P.

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10. The Soviet fishing fleet before the war, even in 1939, was old and obsolete. It is natural, therefore, that the Soviet Union, along with other nations, is building up the fishing fleet with modern and efficient vessels.

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11. At the same time the Soviet fishing fleet is being constructed in such a manner that it can be utilized fully in an eventual conflict. Several times during the last war the Soviets used fishing vessels to land troops both in the Baltic and the Black Sea area.
12. A large fishing fleet also permits the Soviets to obtain up-to-date and detailed information on coastal and port areas of other nations.

Soviet Fishing Vessels in the Arctic Ocean prior to 15 July 1952

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
600	Honningsvåg east bound	4 March 1952
700	" " "	21 March 1952
748	" " "	4 March 1952
174	Kopervik north bound	3 December 1951
581	Bergen north bound	26 October 1947
1670	In the Arctic Ocean	August 1950
633	Lødingen north bound	7 July 1952
	Honningsvåg east bound	2 March 1950
579	" " "	1 June 1949
755	" " "	23 June 1952
533	Tromsø north bound	6 June 1952
1500	Harstad north bound	13 October 1951
260	Honningsvåg east bound	14 June 1952
316	Måløy north bound	29 September 1948
260	Kopervik north bound	3 January 1950
328	Trondheim north bound	24 September 1951
255	Bergen north bound	March 1950
	In the Arctic Ocean	June 1951
500	Murmansk	April 1950
115	Kopervik north bound	7 June 1952
	In the Arctic Ocean	13 February 1951
	" " " "	30 February 1951
	" " " "	30 February 1951
	" " " "	30 February 1951
	" " " "	30 February 1951
	" " " "	30 February 1951
	" " " "	11 March 1951
	" " " "	6 March 1951
	" " " "	July 1951
	" " " "	11 March 1951
258	Kopervik north bound	10 February 1951
230	" " "	2 February 1951
250	" " "	15 February 1951
255	" " "	10 February 1951
250	Kopervik north bound	15 February 1951
250	" " "	20 April 1951
250	" " "	16 April 1951
	Honningsvåg east bound	1 April 1952
225	Kopervik north bound	10 February 1951
230	" " "	15 February 1951

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
230	Kopervik north bound	28 February 1951
250	" " "	15 February 1951
239	Bergen " "	15 March 1951
228	Kopervik " "	4 May 1951
250	Bergen " "	15 March 1951
	Honningsvåg east bound	19 October 1950
260	" " "	9 January 1950
255	Kopervik north bound	25 March 1950
255	Honningsvåg east bound	2 March 1950
255	Kopervik north bound	25 March 1950
260	Honningsvåg east bound	6 May 1950
256	Lødingen north bound	4 June 1950
255	Honningsvåg east bound	1 June 1950
250	Kopervik north bound	29 August 1949
255	" " "	19 October 1950
230	" " "	4 May 1951
230	" " "	4 May 1951

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230	Kopervik north bound	16 May 1951
230	" " "	22 June 1951
230	" " "	22 June 1951
230	" " "	19 June 1951
230	" " "	22 April 1951
230	" " "	20 April 1951
230	" " "	22 April 1951
230	" " "	22 April 1951
259	Bergen " "	6 July 1951
261	Kopervik " "	4 July 1951

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230	Kopervik north bound	22 June 1951
250	" " "	22 June 1951
230	Kopervik - Murmansk	19 October 1951
240	Kopervik north bound	10 February 1951
230	" " "	4 May 1951
340	" " "	4 May 1951
339	" " "	4 May 1951
230	" " "	4 May 1951
230	" " "	22 April 1951
240	" " "	4 May 1951
288	" " "	4 May 1951
238	" " "	4 May 1951
238	" " "	4 May 1951
239	" " "	4 May 1951
240	" " "	4 May 1951
230	" " "	2 May 1951
230	" " "	28 February 1951
230	" " "	15 February 1951
230	" " "	28 April 1951
230	" " "	28 April 1951
	Honningsvåg east bound	3 April 1952
	" " "	3 April 1952
120	Kopervik north bound	5 June 1951
200	" " "	3 June 1951
120	" " "	2 June 1951
120	" " "	2 June 1951
120	" " "	2 June 1951
240	Tromsø north bound	9 July 1951
230	Kopervik north bound	13 July 1951
230	Kopervik " "	13 July 1951
230	Honningsvåg east bound	1 April 1952
230	Bergen north bound	15 March 1951
900	Kopervik north bound	4 December 1950
120	Lødingen north bound	6 July 1952
240	" " "	23 June 1952

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
240	Tromsø north bound	22 June 1952
240	" " "	22 June 1952
240	" " "	22 June 1952
240	" " "	22 June 1952
250	Kopervik north bound	3 July 1951
250	" " "	3 July 1951
250	" " "	3 July 1951
	Hjartholmen north bound	29 August 1949
	" " "	29 August 1949
180	Kopervik north bound	23 June 1951
	Lødingen north bound	5 June 1951
120	Kopervik north bound	28 April 1951
120	Kopervik north bound	23 June 1951
120	" " "	22 June 1951
120	Honningsvåg east bound	2 April 1951
120	Kopervik north bound	22 June 1951
120	" " "	23 June 1951
120	" " "	4 July 1951
120	" " "	4 July 1951
120	" " "	6 July 1951
120	" " "	13 July 1951
122	" " "	13 July 1951
120	" " "	6 July 1951
120	" " "	6 July 1951
120	" " "	2 July 1951
120	" " "	6 July 1951
120	Lødingen " "	5 July 1951
186	Honningsvåg east bound	1 June 1952
122	" " "	25 February 1952
185	" " "	1 June 1952
122	" " "	25 February 1952
161	" " "	5 June 1952
122	" " "	13 June 1952
120	Tromsø north bound	22 June 1952
120	Honningsvåg east bound	5 June 1952
122	" " "	1 June 1952
120	Tromsø north bound	22 June 1952
122	Honningsvåg east bound	1 June 1952
122	" " "	1 June 1952
161	" " "	5 May 1952
120	Tromsø north bound	22 June 1952
120	" " "	22 June 1952
120	Honningsvåg east bound	5 June 1952
120	Kopervik north bound	22 June 1951
120	" " "	July 1951
120	" " "	July 1951
122	" " "	July 1951
120	Lødingen north bound	5 July 1951
122	" " "	11 July 1951
120	Kopervik " "	3 July 1951
122	Honningsvåg east bound	25 February 1951
120	Tromsø north bound	22 June 1952
161	Honningsvåg east bound	5 June 1952
120	Tromsø north bound	22 June 1952
120	" " "	22 June 1952
120	Kopervik north bound	22 June 1951
120	Honningsvåg east bound	2 April 1951
500	Nordkap - Bjørnøya	19 July 1951
	" " "	19 July 1951
487	Honningsvåg east bound	23 September 1948
689	Lødingen north bound	3 November 1949
600	Nordkap - Bjørnøya	19 July 1951
504	Narvik north bound	28 December 1949
417	Honningsvåg east bound	11 March 1952
417	Kopervik north bound	11 January 1950

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
500	Honningsvåg east bound	26 July 1950
417	Tromsø north bound	27 May 1952
744	Harstad north bound	23 December 1951
557	Kopervik " "	14 July 1952
700	Honningsvåg east bound	5 March 1952
700	Lødingen north bound	24 March 1952
1200	" " "	6 November 1951
400	Honningsvåg east bound	3 March 1952
500	Kopervik north bound	14 July 1952
740	Harstad north bound	23 December 1951
750	Tromsø north bound	20 October 1951
	Northern Arctic Ocean	24 October 1951
	" " "	24 October 1951
400	" " "	24 October 1951
400	Tromsø north bound	3 February 1952
400	Lødingen north bound	2 March 1952
710	Honningsvåg east bound	1 April 1952
756	Tromsø north bound	6 October 1951
500	Trondheim north bound	5 December 1951
	Kopervik north bound	2 February 1951
	" "	2 February 1951
	" north bound	14 January 1950
350	Lødingen north bound	9 September 1950
500	Honningsvåg east bound	30 July 1950
500	" " "	30 July 1950
500	" " "	30 July 1950
350	Lødingen north bound	9 September 1950
350	" " "	9 September 1950
100	Honningsvåg east bound	6 June 1952
100	" " "	6 June 1952
700	" " "	4 June 1952
710	" " "	3 October 1951
200	Grimøy	August 1950
200	Grimøy	August 1950
200	Grimsøy	August 1950
255	Kopervik north bound	19 October 1950
	In the Arctic Ocean	16 May 1952
240	Kopervik north bound	5 May 1952
120	" " "	7 June 1952
120	" " "	7 June 1952
261	Honningsvåg east bound	5 June 1952
261	Kopervik north bound	6 June 1952
260	" " "	6 June 1952
261	Honningsvåg east bound	5 June 1952
331	" " "	16 June 1952
180	" " "	11 June 1952
250	Godøy north bound	2 July 1952
250	" " "	2 July 1952

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
250	Godøy north bound	2 July 1952
250	" " "	2 July 1952
250	" " "	2 July 1952
250	" " "	2 July 1952
320	Kopervik north bound	6 June 1952
50	Godøy " "	2 July 1952
50	" " "	2 July 1952
50	" " "	2 July 1952
50	" " "	2 July 1952

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In the Arctic Ocean

330	Honningsvåg east bound	28 April 1950
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255	Honningsvåg east bound	1 June 1952
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300	Lødingen north bound	29 June 1950
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260	Kopervik - Murmansk	13 January 1950
300	Lødingen north bound	4 June 1950
300	" " "	4 June 1950
300	" " "	4 June 1950
300	" " "	4 June 1950
300	" " "	4 June 1950
300	" " "	4 June 1950
300	" " "	4 June 1950
260	Honningsvåg east bound	24 May 1952
520	" " "	14 May 1952

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## 14. Summary of Soviet fishing vessels in the Arctic Ocean

241 vessels with known tonnage.....approximately 69,513 gross tons  
47 vessels with estimated tonnage.....approximately 13,040 " "  
 Total 288 vessels at. . . . . approximately 82,553 gross tons

## 15. In addition to the above vessels an unknown number of fishing vessels are found in the Arctic Ocean. Their number is estimated at 150-200 vessels.

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
150	The Baltic	January 1952
328	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
194	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
555	Observed at the entrance to Lappegrund	23 December 1946
150	The Baltic	January 1952
417	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
700	" "	" "
300	" "	" "
381	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
183	" "	13 October 1949
300	" "	January 1952
750	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
	Gedser Rev	2 June 1951
150	The Baltic	January 1952
150	" "	" "
150	" "	August 1950
360	The Baltic	January 1952
250	" "	" "
	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
250	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
250	" "	" "
	" "	" "
250	" "	" "
	Hammeren east bound	16 January 1952
	The Baltic	January 1952
	" "	" "
	" "	" "
250	" "	" "
250	" "	" "
250	Gresund south bound	26 December 1951
230	" " "	21 December 1951
230	The Baltic	January 1952
230	" "	" "
230	Gresund south bound	2 April 1952
	" " "	4 May 1952
150	The Baltic	January 1952
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
350	" "	" "
350	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
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150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
63	" "	" "
	Anholt	8 February 1952
180	The Baltic	January 1952
180	" "	" "
	Anholt south bound	8 February 1952

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Øresund south bound	2 April 1952
180	The Baltic	January 1952
180	" "	" "
90	" "	" "
90	" "	" "
180	" "	" "
90	" "	" "
80	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
100	" "	" "
60	" "	" "
80	" "	" "
60	Øresund south bound	23 July 1951
80	The Baltic	January 1952
	Drogden light house	
	south bound	31 July 1951
60	The Baltic	January 1952
80	" "	" "
80	" "	" "
60	" "	" "
80	Øresund south bound	14 December 1951
259	The Baltic	January 1952
350	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
350	" "	" "
350	" "	" "
255	" "	" "
250	" "	" "
255	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
230	" "	" "
300	Øresund south bound	19 December 1951
300	The Baltic	January 1952
230	" "	January 1952
230	" "	" "
350	" "	" "
150	" "	" "
	" "	" "
390	" "	" "
255	Gedser Rev northeast	
	bound	5 April 1951
390	The Baltic	January 1952
390	" "	" "
390	" "	" "
300	" "	" "
390	" "	" "
	" "	" "
390	Skagen south bound	12 December 1951
	The Baltic	January 1952
255	Anholt northeast bound	20 September 1951
230	" "	4 January 1952
	The Baltic	January 1952
	Øresund	26 January 1952
230	The Baltic	January 1952
230	Øresund south bound	19 December 1951
300	The Baltic	January 1952
	" "	" "
230	Anholt south bound	20 September 1951
	The Baltic	January 1952
230	" "	" "
	Øresund south bound	26 January 1952

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<u>Gross Tonnage</u>	<u>Last Observed</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Gedser Rev. northeast bound	17 March 1952
	Gedser Rev. northeast bound	26 April 1952
	Gedser Rev. northeast bound	4 May 1952
	Gedser Rev. northeast bound	30 April 1952
183	The Baltic	15 October 1949
300	Anholt southeast bound	8 February 1952
	Drogden south bound	15 October 1951
	The Baltic	January 1952
	" "	" "
350	Warnemünde	15 February 1950
350	"	15 February 1950
350	"	15 February 1950
750	The Baltic	November 1948
100	" "	November 1948
611	" "	January 1952
100	" "	November 1948

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## 17. Summary of Soviet fishing vessels in the Baltic Sea

232 vessels with known tonnage - approximately 54,700 gross tons  
35 vessels with estimated tonnage - approximately 7,130 " "  
 Total 267 vessels at. . . . . approximately 61,830 gross tons

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